



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING  
GROUP 2627

Docket No.: 255941US6PCT



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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/509,887  
Applicants: Takashi KIHARA et al.  
Filing Date: October 1, 2004  
For: DATA RECORDING METHOD AND APPARATUS,  
DATA RECORDING MEDIUM, AND DATA  
REPRODUCING METHOD AND APPARATUS  
Group Art Unit: 2627  
Examiner: GUPTA, P.

SIR:


Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Our check in the amount of - is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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In response to the Office Action dated July 25, 2006, please consider the following  
Remarks.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.